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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Greetings to all CARTS members:

Just a short note to let you all know that I will not be able to make the meeting on April 25th. My father passed away two weeks ago and I am going to be tied up for the next several weeks dealing with estate affairs. I will miss seeing you all at the meeting, and would much rather be there than in Greenville cleaning out my Dad's house.

At any rate, I hope you all have a great time at the meeting and I am sure that I will see you at the next one.

Hope everyone is planning on attending. Please see opposite for the particulars of time and place.

Regards,
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Comments, suggestions, reactions, (maybe even) criticism, will be gratefully accepted. Let us know! **Articles, New Finds, Announcements, and Classifieds to Don Bailey only! Dues to Bob King only!**

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

I'm sure that I act for each and every one of you when I extend the club's condolences to Tony on the death of his father. We will miss Tony in Statesville.

Now three things—first, February's call for dues produced the best response I can remember. Only two people have not yet paid their 2015 dues. You did good!

Second, I noticed recently that NTCA, the national token organization, has 411 members. That's not even 9 per state, on average. So with 28 current members we don't look so bad. Nonetheless we need more members. To meet our expenses we need to have about 40 members. Surely there is someone you know who would enjoy becoming a member. Make that suggestion.

Third, recall that we meet very soon, on **April 25, in Statesville**. This will be 9:00 AM to noon at the **Ramada Inn & Conference Center 1215 Garner Bagnal Blvd.** (Hwy 70 E Statesville). Directions are as follows. If you are going south on I 77 from I 40 take exit 49A. At the end of the exit ramp turn right and proceed under I 77. The Ramada Inn is on the left just after you go under the interstate. If you are traveling north on I 77 also take exit 49A. At the end of the exit ramp you will be facing the Ramada Inn. If you are coming from downtown Statesville take Hwy 70 E. and travel under I 77, then look left.

FEDERAL (and NATIONAL) CLOTHING STORES

Don Bailey

Most people, I believe, collect tokens by state. But some collect by type: lumber tokens, Indian trader tokens, prison tokens, or some such. While I collect mainly North Carolina tokens and Texas tokens, I am forever finding surprising little series of tokens; and they beckon to me. Recently I purchased the following token on eBay.



I show the token larger than usual because it contains such an unusual amount of text. The token measures 33mm.

Almost immediately after I purchased this Charlotte token the following token appeared on eBay.



And yes, it is exactly the same as the Charlotte token except for the street address and city.

Well that's interesting, and almost immediately after I purchased this Huston token the following appeared on eBay.



Another exact copy of the Charlotte and Huston tokens I thought. But look carefully. This token is not from the Federal Clothing Stores, but from the National Clothing Stores.

Of course these tokens sent me to my token catalogs and the internet. I now know that the exact same Federal Clothing token is

known from Tampa, Florida; Charleston and Columbia, South Carolina; Birmingham and Montgomery, Alabama; and New Orleans, Louisiana. And the National Clothing Stores token is known from Dallas, Texas; Atlanta, Georgia, Jacksonville, Florida, and Greenville, South Carolina;

There may indeed be other tokens in this series still to be found. National Clothing Stores locations existed in Augusta and Savana, Georgia. Perhaps there is a Federal Clothing Stores token from Knoxville, Tennessee. There was a store located there, but I have no Tennessee catalog.

I got really excited when I discovered that there had been a Federal Clothing Stores location in Rocky Mount. But alas, it did not exist there in 1922. Thus it is impossible that a Rocky Mount token exists.

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There are several questions I have not been able to answer. First, why are some of the tokens from Federal Clothing and some from National Clothing? J. Nathan is shown as president on both types of the token. Next, what was so important about 1922? Could this have been an inaugural, or anniversary, year for the company(s). (Bob King reports that Mays, Inc. took over Federal Clothing in 1931.)

Most interesting of all however, is this question. Did other Federal, or National, Clothing stores exist and produce tokens in the Carolinas? If Rocky Mount could have such a store shouldn't Raleigh have had one? Or how about Greensboro? Winston-Salem?

Any information would be welcome and appreciated.

North Carolina Collector

Buyer of NC Singles or Collections
Trader list for all state tokens
Enthusiastic researcher

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Want to buy southern states tokens. You price or I will make an offer, your, choice. I don't make flea market offers. Pay top dollar for tokens I need and top wholesale for tokens I have.

I want mavericks and one is fine. Give me a chance, we will make a deal.

Active buyer of R. G. Dun and Bradstreet

1963 & newer

Need 1882, 1884 & 1897

Need a complete national book for
1910, 1911 or 1912.

NEW SOUTH CAROLINA FIND: WHERE E.D. BELTON GAVE 15 CENT SHAVES

Lamar Bland

I bought this maverick barber's token in North Carolina in 2014.



E.D. Belton /Good For / 1 / / 15¢ - R, Br, 24mm (Die-break on "F" of "For")

Belton's location has now been attributed to Rock Hill, South Carolina, by John Mutch,

former president of The Token And Medal Society (TAMS). He found Belton's name in 1910-40 census records, but more significantly in a Rock Hill Draft Registration Card (one side shown opposite), dated September 12, 1918.

Belton is identified there as Edward Devaughn Belton, a self-employed "Negro" barber. (This may be hard to see, but the second box under the "Race" line is headed "Negro" and it is checked.) His residence (with wife Edna) is 439 Trade St in Rock Hill. He was born in 1876, thus he was 42 years old when required to register for service in World War I. A North Carolina Draft Registration Card, that of his son Joseph Eugene Belton, indicates Belton still lived at the same Rock Hill address in 1930. Mutch found Belton's burial location to be Rock Hill in 1967.

This attribution, perhaps amplified with further detail, has been placed in the TAMS database.

REGISTRATION CARD

NAME: *Edward Devaughn Belton*

RESIDENCE: *439 Trade Rock Hill York SC*

AGE: *42* SEX: *Male* RACE: *Negro* BIRTH: *14 1876*

U.S. CITIZEN: ☒ ALIEN: ☐

EMPLOYMENT: *Barber*

NEAREST RELATIVE: *Edna Steele Belton*

RESIDENCE: *439 Trade Rock Hill York SC*

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A (sort of) NEW NORTH CAROLINA FIND

Don Bailey

Recently I was able to acquire the token shown below.



Waccamaw / (star) / Store / (star) / Land and Lumber Co. // Good For / 5¢ / In Merchandise – R. Br, 20 mm

I have called this a "sort of" new find because it is not listed in Trantow's *Catalog of Lumber Company Store Tokens*. It does however

appear on TokenCatalog.com, where it is attributed to Bolton, NC.

But TokenCatalog.com has attributions to North Carolina that are, to say the least, open to question. Is this attribution correct? Well, maybe.

On the internet one can find a history of Lake Waccamaw State Park, and therein read the following: "In 1797, for a little more than \$7,000, the State of North Carolina made grants to Stephen Williams for 100,000 acres of land, to William Collins for 40,120 acres, and to Benjamin Rowell for 30,000 acres. These grants were all located on the east side of Lake Waccamaw, where Lake Waccamaw State Park is now located, and the grants adjoined each other. In 1904, the Waccamaw Land and Lumber Company purchased substantially all of this land for timber purposes. The company's headquarters was

located nearby in Bolton, where it operated a huge double band sawmill.”

Also, in the *New York Lumber Trade Journal*, Vol.37 (1904) an article, carrying the dateline November 15, Wilmington, NC, reports The Waccamaw Land and Lumber Company “recently” purchased 171,120 acres of timber in Brunswick, Bladen and Columbus counties for the sum of \$357,000. This purchase must have been made up of the Williams, Collins and Rowell grants plus an additional 1000 acres. If one stops here the Bolton attribution seems secure. But, we read further that, “The plant of the Chadbourne Lumber Company, located on the waterfront in this city, has been purchased by the Waccamaw Land and Lumber Company.” On consideration though, there would be no need for a “store” in Wilmington. The store would be located at the worksite. So is Bolton still the secure attribution?

Things get murkier. The *Wilmington Semi-Weekly Messenger* of November 8, 1904 reports that “Waccamaw Land and Lumber Company expects to locate a large lumber mill either in Wilmington or Southport.” And, in the Report of the (NC) State Tax Commission of 1907 we see clearly that the Waccamaw Land and Lumber Company is (said by the Commission to be) located in Southport. Oh my!

But, as they say in TV sales pitches, wait, there’s more. A report from Wananish, N.C. dated April 5, 1905 states in part that “... the improvements in contemplation will cause expenditures of hundreds of thousands of dollars. The Waccamaw Land and Lumber Company having secured 225,000 acres, are building a railway going ... to Wilmington.” So, it is clear that Waccamaw Land and Lumber undoubtedly had lumbering facilities (maybe a camp and store?) near this little town that was in northern Columbus County and is now part of the town of Lake Waccamaw.

What does one make of all this? First, Wananish, and thus the 225,000 acres secured by Waccamaw Land and Lumber, is near—perhaps cheek by jowl with—the 171,120 acres purchased “on the east side of Lake Waccamaw” in 1904. And both are within 10 miles of Bolton. Also, just as a store for mill workers (or loggers) would not have been necessary in Wilmington, neither would it have been necessary in Southport. So I’m betting on Bolton and will label my token accordingly. But additional information will be welcome.

Finally, aside from all the location problems, I find it interesting that Waccamaw Land and Lumber had one of the contracts to supply lumber for the Panama Canal project.

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North Carolina Token Collecting

Bob King

The past few months have been very exciting for North Carolina Token Collectors as a large collection of NC Tokens were sold on E-Bay, each token sold separately. When the

collection first appeared several tokens were listed for sale during the same week, usually ending on the same day. The winning bids were the highest ever seen for NC Tokens. This trend continued for about 6 weeks before the prices began to return to normal. Near the end of sales for this collection prices were all over the place, mostly due to the final two bidders bumping heads. No doubt some “gotcha” bids were placed to scalp certain bidders who do not know the value of the

token resulting in them placing large bids and taking their punishment.

There are a few collectors still around that began collecting before I started collecting NC Tokens in 1985-86. They probably see “new finds” listed by me that they saw in the 1960s and 1970s but I am blissfully ignorant of those listings so I begin again listing some of the new finds acquired recently.

I found out about this Rosman token from the grandson of the store owner. He would not sell his token but the knowledge that it did exist sent me looking for another. A couple of months later I got a call from a local auctioneer that told me to come by before the auction and buy his recently acquired tokens. One of his tokens was the token below that I had been looking for.

ROSMAN (Transylvania)



R.S. MORGAN / DRUGGIST. / ROSMAN, / N.C. //
GOOD FOR A / 5¢ / SODA - SQ (WITH CLIPPED
CORNERS AS MADE) BR 25 Rare

Note: R.S. Morgan was a druggist in Rosman from 1916 through 1921. In 1921 the population of Rosman was 527 while that of the county seat, Brevard, was 1658.

The token below was part of the large collection sold recently on E-Bay. This business only lasted one year. The reason I mention this is to point out that this was common for a business to close or fail in one year or less.

ROCKINGHAM (Richmond)



McLAURIN / DRUG / CO. / ROCKINGHAM, N.C. //
GOOD FOR / (3 STARS) 5¢ (3 STARS) / AT FOUNT
- OCT AL 20 Rare

Note: McLaurin Drug Company sold retail drugs in 1917 for one year only.

WILSON (WILSON)



MOORE'S / SMOKE - / - HOUSE / (ILLEGIBLE) /
WILSON, N.C. // GOOD FOR / 5¢ / (STAR) IN
TRADE (STAR) - RD AL 24 Rare

Note: Moore's Smoke House was owned by one of the two following people. (1). Lee A. Moore was a black man that was a grocer and tobacco dealer from 1898 through 1909. (2). B.L. Moore was a grocer and tobacco dealer from 1904 through 1905. He was a tobacco dealer only from 1906 through 1911. The illegible section of the token may read “Tarboro St.”

UPDATES/CORRECTIONS

Recently a token from Mt. Gallant Fishery, Winton, Hertford County, was sold on E-Bay. I wrote an article for this newsletter Issue #14, May 2007 where I stated that this token may be one of the earliest tokens from North

Carolina. I have since found evidence that these two tokens are from the 1915 to 1920 time frame. It is, however, certain to me that this fishery dates to pre-1850. The two tokens are good for one tub and one bucket.

Recently a 1 denomination Ingle Token from Murchison, Yancey County was sold on E-Bay. For several years only a 50 was known and I had personally stated that possibly only a 50 was ordered. Sometimes it is nice to be proven wrong.

CLASSIFIED ADS

WANTED

WANT TO BUY PRE-1930 NC CITY AND OR COUNTY DIRECTORIES, COUNTY AND CITY HISTORY BOOKS. Any information on early NC businesses. Bob King, 709 Cardinal Dr., Brevard, NC 28712 828-883-8028 tokenaddict@citcom.net

WILL PAY \$350 FOR A TOKEN FROM J.C. DALRYMPLE, ANGELUS, SC OR SOUTHERN STATES LUMBER COMPANY, DUNBARTON, SC. Tokens must be in nice collectible condition. Contact: Tony Chibbaro, PO Box 420, Prosperity, SC 29127. Phone: 803-530-3668 Email: chibbaro@mindspring.com

SALE

OFFERED TO CURRENT DUES PAID CARTS MEMBERS ONLY YOUR CHOICE: FROM THE FINAL STOCK OF COWPENS MILLS STORE TOKENS, 1932 OR 1933 TOKEN CLEANED TO BEST APPEARANCE. One or more only \$10.00 each. Chuck Stroud helo182@live.com or call (864) 489-5115. Check for availability.

COMPLETE SEVEN PIECE SET OF ORA MILL TOKENS FROM SHELBY, NC. Yes, it includes the \$5.00. Yours for \$50.00, postpaid. Don Bailey, PO Box 1272, Etowah, NC 28729. eladon@morrisbb.net or 828-891-3501.

CARTS Membership and Dues: Application for membership in CARTS is invited from anyone interested in the exonomia of the two Carolinas. Annual dues are \$10.00 and should be mailed to the treasurer, Bob King. Checks should be made payable to CARTS.

CARTSNEWS: CARTSNEWS, the newsletter of CARTS, is published four times per year in February, May, August, and November.

Advertising: Each member is encouraged to submit one classified ad per issue. These ads are free to members. Free ads should be no more than 50 words in length. No ads will be run continuously; a new ad must be submitted for each issue. The editor reserves the right to edit ads for length and any ad thought not to be in the best interest of the hobby will be rejected. Deadline for classified ads is the same as for paid ads (see below).

Paid advertising is also solicited. The rate per issue for paid ads is as follows. One quarter page \$3.00, one half page \$6.00, and full page \$11.00. Any paid advertising, along with payment, should be sent to the editor by the fifteenth of that month before the month of issue. So, for example, advertising copy for the May issue should be received by the editor by April 15. Camera ready copy will be accepted, but the editor will also compose ads from your rough copy if you desire. As with free advertising the editor may reject any ad thought not in the best interest of CARTS or the hobby at large.

INGLE SYSTEM TOKENS WANTED

Will pay \$50.00 for any denomination of these Ingle Tokens if not dug. Will negotiate for dug tokens based on condition.

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Abraham, A.-1909	Lynch, A.A.-1909	Willis, J.H. (Willis Lunch Room?)-1909
Armstrong, A.J. or O.J.-1914	McCall, R.S.-1914	Wright, J.C.-1909
Bailey, C.E.-1909	McDade & Atwater-1909	
Berry, J.C.-1909	Miller & Son, T.A.-1909	
Brinkley Bros.-1914		Armstrong's Market-1914
Carter, W.R.-1909	Morgan, J.C.-1914	Berry, A. Bros-1909
Climax Barber Shop-1914	Murphrey, J.B.-1914(Sp?)	Climax Pool Room-1914
Cogburn, T.M. & Bro.-1909	Norman, H.F.-1909	
Cooper, J.M. (Mrs.)-1909	Norwood Bros.-1909	
Craig, E.J.(Mrs.)-1909	Padgett, B.L.-1909 (Co-Op. Store?)	
Elk Park 5 & 10 Store-1914	Payne's Pure Food Store-1909	
Shores, A.P. (Anna?)-1914	Pleasant, J.F.-1909	
Everett, J.H.-1909	Rabb Bros.-1909	
Garrison, J.W.-1909	Ransom & Hinsdale-1909	
Gouge, J.M.-1914	Rector, J.C.(John?)-1909	
	Ridgecrest Store-1909	
Jackson, J.C.-1909	Roberson, M.P.-1909	
Jolly, J.R.-1909	Sessoms, J.M.-1909	
Jones, L.C.-1909	Stevenson, J.M.-1909	
Kesler, S.A.-1909	Thompson, A.A.-1909	
Kirkman, W.F.-1909	Thompson, I.A.-1914	
Lawing, T.H.-1909	Vannoy, E.N.-1914	
Laws, Frank-1909	Wallace, R.C.-1909	